



**PATENT APPLICATION**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 1637**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Ali LAAYOUN

Group Art Unit: 1637

Application No.: 09/736,151

Examiner: J. Tung

Filed: December 15, 2000

Docket No.: 104959

For: PROCESS FOR LABELING A NUCLEIC ACID

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the August 8, 2003 Office Action, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims;

**Remarks.**